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might be secured by enlisting the sympathies and services of the large class of respectable Chinese in a determined effort to combat the recurring epidemic, the evils of which they fully recognize.

### *Bubonic plague in the Transvaal.*

Telegrams from Johannesburg state that, on March 28, 8 fresh cases of suspected bubonic plague were reported in that city, 3 of them white persons, with no deaths; that on March 29, 4 cases were reported, all among natives, with 1 death; and on March 30, 6 cases, all natives, with 2 deaths.

At Pretoria, March 29, a white victim of bubonic plague was found in the heart of the city, this being the second case at Pretoria.

### *No bubonic plague at Mauritius.*

The officer administering the government of Mauritius reports that there were no cases of plague on the island during the week ended March 24, and the epidemic may be considered as terminated.

## INDIA.

### *Report from Bombay—transactions of service—mortality—arrival of U. S. S. Buffalo and torpedo flotilla.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hume reports, April 1 and 2, as follows:

During the week ended March 26, 1904, sanitary certificate was granted to one shipment of 3,000 baskets of onions forwarded per steamship *Marquis Bacqueham*, Manila. The certificate stated that the onions were grown on the highlands of the Deccan, a place free from cholera, and that they were thoroughly suitable for human use.

### *Mortality in Bombay—Plague and smallpox.*

	Week of Mar. 22, 1904.	Week of Mar. 24, 1903.	Mean of 5 previous years in same week.
Deaths from plague.....	829	1,270	1,026
Attacks—plague.....	925	.....	.....
Death rate—plague.....	55.55	85.10	68.75
Deaths—smallpox.....	14	85	55
Deaths—cholera.....	0	1	5
Total mortality.....	1,389	1,984	2,221
Death rate for city.....	93.07	132.94	145.39

Population, 776,006. No deaths from cholera or typhus.

### *Week ended March 29, 1904:*

Deaths from plague (1,072 cases) .....	972
Death rate—plague.....	65.13
Deaths—smallpox.....	23
Total deaths .....	1,531
Total death rate.....	102.59

No deaths from cholera or typhus.

No transactions during the week.